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1. Rimini, an early Montana mining town
2. Skiing the slopes at Big Sky Resort
3. "The Castle" at White Sulphur Springs
4. Skull Butte area south of Great Falls
5. I-15 Highway north of Helena
6. University of Montana Campus in Missoula



MONTANA

naturally inviting!

LOCATIONS UNLIMITED

The filming industry is thriving in Montana! Last year alone the state hosted production crews working on films that included "Amazing Grace and Chuck" (Tri Star), "The Untouchables" (Paramount), "The NBC Amy Grant Christmas Special" (Smith-Hemion), and numerous television commercials.

Why are these producers choosing Montana? Part of the reason is that here they find the diverse locations they need—the pristine air and rugged natural beauty of the Rocky Mountains; picturesque and accessible towns, from ghost towns to western towns to modern cities; endless rolling wheatfields; Victorian mansions; even a vacant prison and two private railroads.

Montana is renowned for its hospitality and the willingness of its people to assist you. With more than 33 feature and television productions shot all around Montana, we can provide experienced crews and talent whenever and wherever you need them. NO permits in state, county or city are required.

For more information about opportunities in Montana, contact:

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Montana Promotion Division
Department of Commerce
Helena, Montana 59620
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Gregory Peck on location in Bozeman and Livingston for filming of "Amazing Grace and Chuck."

Peck says that Montana and the Livingston-Bozeman area are "100 per cent plus as a film location. It's really good — from the practical side, everything is perfect for our purpose." (From *The Livingston Enterprise*, Livingston, Montana)



The "Untouchables", Paramount, filmed on location at Hardy Bridge near Great Falls. Starring Sean Connery, Robert DeNiro, Kevin Costner, and Charles Martin Smith and directed by Brian DePalma.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Accommodations and prices vary throughout the state. Larger cities offer the most variety; however, adequate to above-average lodging is available regardless of locale. Many hotel and motel units have kitchen facilities and allow light cooking. Mobile homes and campers are available in most areas for those who prefer to live on or near locations.

Restaurants range from posh to casual, and choice is largely a matter of taste. Depending on the area, menus are provided for nearly every palate. Prices generally are moderate throughout Montana, and meals can cost as much or as little as desired.

TRANSPORTATION

Four major airlines and two commuter lines serve Montana. Direct flights or connections with Los Angeles and New York are available daily through Delta, Northwest, United, Continental, and Horizon (United Express). Northwest Airlink makes excellent connections to many Montana locations. Current schedules can be obtained from individual carriers or travel agents.

AMTRAK offers one line through Montana, serving the northern region. Where necessary, bus connections are provided to major business centers. Freight service is also provided by Burlington-Northern Railroad and Union Pacific Railroad.

Charter air service can be contracted in most areas, and many areas can also supply helicopters. (See separate manual listing.)

CLIMATE

Montana's climate is characteristic of the high plains and mountains. Summer temperatures are moderate with highs in the mid- to upper-80s. No Montana town has a winter temperature averaging below zero, even in January, the coldest month.

Air inversions in mountain valleys frequently result in moderate winter temperatures while readings in other locations drop substantially lower. However, the mean winter temperature for all of Montana is 24 degrees.

Because of dry air and prevailing winds, Montana boasts a high number of cloud-free and partly cloudy days suitable for filming. In some areas, such conditions will be found for appreciably more than 200 days per year.

VARIETY OF TERRAIN

The state is divided roughly into thirds. The east is rolling plains; the mid-section, high plains with isolated mountain ranges, buttes, mesas, river valleys and canyons; and the west is mountainous.

Virtually every type of terrain is available with the exception of desert and ocean. Montana has vast stretches of forests, peaks rising to more than 12,000 feet, clean air, unobstructed views, irrigated farmland, badlands, alpine lakes and meandering cold-water streams.

TALENT

Expert actors and extras can be found throughout Montana. Most areas have theater groups, and most units of the State University System have theatrical departments. Units are: Montana State University, Bozeman; University of Montana, Missoula; Eastern Montana College, Billings; Western Montana College, Dillon; Northern Montana College, Havre; College of Mineral Science and Technology, Butte. Montana Centennial Troupe at Bozeman can supply cavalrymen with authentic uniforms and mounts. Montana has seven Indian Reservations which, together with theater groups and local playhouses, also can supply talent.

LABOR

Construction laborers and equipment can be contracted in any area. IATSE union members have worked with motion picture production throughout major population areas.

PUBLIC LANDS

National Parks, U.S. Forest Lands, BLM Lands:

A Special Use Permit is required on National Park Service Lands, but there is no charge. The U.S. Forest Service also requires a Special Use Permit and has a fee schedule as follows. A certificate of insurance is required.

- \$ 50 per day, up to 25 persons.
- \$ 75 per day, up to 100 persons.
- \$100 per day, more than 100 persons.

The Bureau of Public Lands also requires a Special Use Permit. Proof of insurance should be provided.

The Montana Film Office will assist you with contacts and we suggest you start the permit process as soon as possible to allow rangers time to evaluate the permit. Proof of insurance or a bond may be necessary.

Contacts:

Glacier National Park Headquarters
West Glacier, MT 59936
(406) 888-5441

Yellowstone National Park
Box 168, c/o Public Affairs
Mammoth Hot Springs, WY 82190
(307) 344-7381, ext. 2201

U.S. Forest Service
 Department of Agriculture
 Call local officers in charge of local forests.

Bureau of Land Management
 80 Airport Rd.
 Lewistown, MT 59457
 (406) 538-7461
 OR
 Billings, MT 59101
 Box 36800
 (406) 657-6561

EQUIPMENT RENTAL

Transportation, construction and special-use equipment such as booms and cherry pickers are available throughout the state from private concerns, state and local agencies. Catering service is available in all major metropolitan areas.

Photographic equipment is limited, with 16mm the only readily available medium.

LIVESTOCK AND LIVESTOCK EQUIPMENT

Livestock of all description is available throughout the state. Cattle, sheep and horses can be contracted in all areas from private owners. Tack, Conestoga wagons and other equipment frequently can be obtained from the same source. Riders and wranglers can be found throughout any area by consulting either the Montana Motion Picture Coordinator or area contacts. Virtually everyone in Montana rides a horse, so locating riders poses no special problem.

Buffalo are available from the National Bison Range at Moiese. Private contractors include:

James Burnett—Luther, Montana 59051
 Bob Shall—Arlee, Montana 59821
 William Brogan—Corwin Springs, Montana 59021

ANIMAL HEALTH CERTIFICATES

Special permits and tests may be required for cattle, bison, and elk brought into the state. For full information contact the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks. Tel: (406) 444-2612.

INDIAN LANDS

Montana has 7 inhabited Indian Reservations. Each is autonomous with its own governing body, so filming must be negotiated. It is advised that inquiries with detailed explanations be directed to the Montana Motion Picture Coordinator's office so that contact can be made. The majority of the lands are available for filming, and the reservations mirror the variety of terrain in Montana. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing, page 33.)

POLICE ASSISTANCE

As a rule, Montana's local police forces are not large. Therefore, availability of off-duty officers is limited. However, police officials will make every effort to satisfy your requirements. Outside corporate city limits, County Sheriff Departments can be contacted for services other than traffic control. Highway Patrol officers can also be made available. Queries should again be directed to the Montana Motion Picture Coordinator's office for contact and specifics. (Note: Regulations prohibit use of officers and vehicles for product advertising purposes.)

Filming of local police officers, county peace officers and Highway Patrol Troopers is authorized. Charge is usually the regular overtime pay for the officers, with cars provided by the police agency.

CITIES AND TOWNS OF MONTANA

Montana is a state with deep western tradition. And that tradition is reflected in its cities and towns. Many smaller towns seem to have changed little from the frontier times in which they were established. Larger cities reflect a modern image which will fit any production need. Architecture throughout is largely turn-of-the-century, and can be found in virtually every community. Virginia City and Nevada City are fine examples of restored western towns. False fronts indicative of the West, and ornate facades, are commonplace. A complete picture of Montana's towns and cities is impossible here. Consult the location photo section and specific cities in this manual for further information. Also, selected areas can provide photos and detailed information.

Population: 66,780

Elevation: 3,117

Montana's largest city, Billings is nestled in the Yellowstone River Valley. The highest spot in the state is in the Beartooth Mountain Range just southwest of the city. Billings is the transportation leader of Montana, and offers city conveniences in a rustic setting.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce

Executive Vice-President

Box 2519

Billings, Montana 59103

(406) 245-4111

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlines, United Airlines, Northwest Airlink, Continental and Delta Airlines with connections to and from major cities. Burlington Northern Rail Freight Service. Greyhound Bus/Trailways. Car rental agencies.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Sixteen hotels and 43 motels with a total of 3,000 rooms. Rates range from \$30 to \$90.

RESTAURANTS

One hundred twenty-five restaurants available throughout the city. Rates range \$5 to \$35.

CATERING SERVICE

Three catering services in Billings. Rates available on request.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Vehicle rentals are available from area businesses. Contractual arrangements are necessary.

RUSHES

Billings Studio Theaters, Inc.

FILM SHIPMENT

Air connections with major cities daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock of all types can be contracted. Rates depend on numbers and usage. Buffalo available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Area residents are familiar with horses and livestock. Several rodeo riders in the area.

CONSTRUCTION

Hardware stores, lumber yards and construction companies supply building needs. Contractors and engineers available.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Stacking," "Little Big Man," "Missouri Breaks," "Christmas Miracle in Caufield, U.S.A.," "The Legend of Walks Far Woman" CBS-TV, "Rodeo Red and the Runaway" (Roundup, north of Billings), "Heartland" (Harlowton, northwest of Billings), "Triumphs of a Man Called Horse." Numerous television commercials.

TALENT

Billings Studio Theater, Rocky Mountain College, and Eastern Montana College Theater. Crow and Cheyenne Indians. (See Indian Reservation Listing.)

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Red Lodge Ski Area, Custer Battlefield National Monument. Thousands of acres of unsettled land. Historic sites, 2 colleges, Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area, Pompeys Pillar, Pictograph Cave State Monument, Metra—seats 10,000 plus, Yellowstone River, prairies, foothills, wheatfields, and 2 Indian reservations, Moss Mansion.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	33.2	36.0	43.4	57.4	68.1	76.0	88.5	85.2	73.5	61.6	45.0	38.6
Average dly. low temp. (°)	13.1	15.3	24.0	34.6	45.4	54.1	60.8	58.6	47.3	37.3	25.2	18.2
Average precip. (in.)	0.54	0.60	1.05	1.31	1.88	2.55	0.90	0.90	1.19	1.09	0.63	0.59
Average snowfall (in.)	9.0	8.5	10.0	7.8	1.1	0.1	0.0	0.0	1.1	3.1	6.1	8.3
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	13	12	13	13	17	19	27	26	20	19	14	15

Population: 35,000

Elevation: 4,793

Bozeman is located at the foot of the Bridger Mountains in the southwest section of Montana. The home of Montana State University, it is the center of a large agricultural area with extensive outdoor recreation available.

AREA CONTACT

Bozeman Area Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
P.O. Box B
Bozeman, Montana 59715
(406) 586-5421

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Delta and Continental. Burlington Northern rail freight service. Garrett and Northern Pacific motor freight lines. Greyhound and Karst Stage bus lines. Several car rental agencies.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Thirty-one hotels and motels with a total of 1,100 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Seventy-five restaurants and taverns with prices ranging from \$2 to \$50.

CATERING SERVICE

Several catering services with rates dependent on menu and distance.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rental, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes. Helicopter and fixed-wing charters available.

RUSHES

Four theatres available (local and University).

FILM SHIPMENT

Via air daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various sorts—cattle, sheep, horses.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors. Materials and equipment available.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Amazing Grace and Chuck," "West of the Imagination," "Mississippi-Missouri River"—Jacques Cousteau and numerous commercials.

TALENT

Montana State University Theater Dept., Loft Theatre, Sheriff's Posse (7th Cavalry). Shakespeare in the Parks Touring Show (summer). Intermountain Opera Association.

PRODUCTION STUDIO

Montana State University Film and TV Dept. 2-40' x 60' x 16' grid, with 12' cube door. The complete program in professional motion picture production at MSU makes available skilled motion picture people to serve in production capacities. Professional motion picture production equipment available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Montana State University, Bridger Bowl and Big Sky ski areas, Hyalite Canyon, Bridger Canyon, Gallatin Canyon, Lewis and Clark Caverns, Madison Buffalo Jump, Three Forks (headwaters of Missouri River), Virginia City and Nevada City nearby. Yellowstone Park, Earthquake Area, Soldiers' Chapel. 60% of Gallatin County is in farms and ranches and over 227,000 acres is forest land. Big, new Museum of the Rockies.

The climate is mild, dry and invigorating with clean, pure mountain air.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	30.7	35.8	41.0	53.7	63.3	70.2	81.5	80.3	69.5	58.7	42.4	34.9
Average dly. low temp. (°)	10.1	15.8	19.2	30.4	38.5	44.9	51.1	49.4	41.5	33.4	21.9	15.5
Average Precip. (in.)	0.94	0.68	1.41	1.84	2.61	3.27	1.19	1.36	1.76	1.44	1.26	0.85
Average Snowfall (in.)	15.0	9.7	16.9	10.5	2.9	0.3	0.0	T	0.5	4.3	10.9	12.5

Population: 37,950 Elevation: 5,767

Butte is located in southwest Montana, 398 miles from Salt Lake City, and 613 miles from Seattle. Surrounded by forest land and mountains, Butte is the hub of Montana's southwest. It is also the hub of Montana's interstate system.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
2950 Harrison
Butte, Montana 59701
(406) 494-5595

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlink, Delta Airlines, Burlington Northern Railroad, Union Pacific Railroad and freight service, 8 motor freight trucking firms.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Sixteen hotels and motels with a total of 985 rooms. Prices are competitive.

RESTAURANTS

Seventy-three restaurants with prices ranging from \$5 to \$30.

CATERING SERVICE

Catering services available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All forms of truck and car rental available. Jeeps, heavy construction equipment, snowcats, water wagons and snowmobiles. Mobile homes and camper rental available.

RUSHES

Three theaters available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Daily flights to major cities.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Variety available throughout area.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many men available from Sheriff's Posse and women from Petticoat Patrol. Area residents familiar with riding and stock.

CONSTRUCTION

Construction materials and contractors available throughout the area.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Runaway Train," "Evel Knievel" and "Route 66" television show, "The Killer Inside Me," "Heaven's Gate," and numerous commercials.

TALENT

Carrousel Theater Group, Butte Community Dinner Theater, Theater Workshop Group.

SOUND STAGE

Butte Civic Center and Montana College of Mineral Science and Technology can be adapted.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

World Museum of Mining, featuring period buildings and streets. Berkeley Pit, the largest copper mine in the United States. Copper King Mansion, restored home of one of the Copper Kings, Mineral Museum. 500 + foot smelter 20 miles west in Anaconda. Historical railroad.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	28.0	32.6	40.2	50.8	60.6	68.5	79.8	77.7	65.8	55.2	40.8	31.3
Average dly. low temp. (°)	0.4	4.9	14.1	25.5	33.1	40.4	45.0	42.2	34.2	26.7	15.5	5.6
Average precip. (in.)	0.59	0.53	0.78	1.04	1.80	2.28	1.24	1.12	1.20	0.79	0.69	0.61
Average snowfall (in.)	7.1	7.2	9.3	5.3	4.1	0.3	T	T	1.2	2.7	6.1	7.7
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	13	12	11	13	14	15	25	24	20	17	12	11

Population: 60

Elevation: 7,553

Sixty miles up the road from Red Lodge is the mountain village of Cooke City, which lies within four miles of Yellowstone National Park. The road that connects Red Lodge and Cooke City—the skytop Beartooth Highway—has been described by CBS correspondent Charles Kuralt as “the most scenic drive in America.” This portion of U.S. 212 is generally open to automobile traffic from early June through late September. During the winter months, Cooke City can be reached by car from Gardiner, the north entrance to Yellowstone Park.

AREA CONTACT

Darrell Crabb
P.O. Box 1130
All Seasons Inn
Cooke City, Montana 59020
(406) 838-2251

TRANSPORTATION

Located 135 miles SE of Bozeman, which is served by Northwest, Northwest Airlink, Delta and Continental airlines. During summer months, the Beartooth Highway is open to Billings, 120 miles to the east, which is served by the above airlines plus United.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

85 rooms in five motels.

RESTAURANTS

Three with prices ranging from \$5 to \$20.

CATERING SERVICE

Local service available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Limited rentals include snow cats and snowmobiles for wintertime use.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock and horses available locally.

CONSTRUCTION

End loader, back hoes and dozers, 3 snow cats.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

“Jupiter Menace,” Yamaha national commercials and numerous other commercials.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Cooke City is a high mountain village. In the winter, it is a recreation center for snowmobilers and nordic skiers. During the summer months, park visitors and hikers prevail. The summer season is short in this high mountain country, with alpine and sub-alpine scenery in every direction. Snow fields and winter conditions can be found for filming from October through July.



Old mining town near Cooke City

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	25	32	37	46	56	65	76	74	64	52	35	27
Average dly. low temp. (°)	2	3	5	18	26	33	36	34	28	22	11	4

Population: 4,000

Elevation: 3,838

Cut Bank is located in the northern part of Montana, 35 miles south of the Canadian border and 35 miles east of Glacier Park.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
President
Box 1243
Cut Bank, Montana 59427
(406) 873-4041

TRANSPORTATION

Cut Bank Airport has an FAA station and a staff on duty 24 hours daily. Burlington Northern Railroad, freight service—AMTRAK.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Five hotels and motels with a total of 153 rooms. Prices range from \$25 to \$40.

RESTAURANTS

Fourteen restaurants with catering facilities to serve 700 people, and prices ranging from \$3 to \$15.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes, helicopter and fixed-wing charters.

RUSHES

One theater, one auditorium.

LIVESTOCK

Several large livestock ranches of various sorts—cattle, sheep, horses. Large ranches and farms.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Annual rodeos, roping shows and horse shows. Many rodeo participants.

OIL INDUSTRY

One of the largest oilfields in the state. Oil activity is strong and equipment is plentiful.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors. Materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Local talent, riders, Blackfeet Indians.

SOUND STAGE

New auditorium.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Oil industry, farming, ranching.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	26.8	31.6	38.4	52.5	62.9	68.8	80.3	77.9	66.1	56.0	40.7	31.8
Average dly. low temp. (°)	6.6	9.7	16.7	27.5	37.2	44.6	50.2	47.6	38.9	31.1	19.2	12.0
Average precip. (in.)	.41	.34	.49	.75	1.80	2.95	1.33	1.16	1.23	.57	.39	.39
Average snowfall (in.)	5.5	5.0	7.0	4.7	.8	.2	T	.1	1.8	3.9	5.2	5.6

Population: Est. 5,000

Elevation: 4,531

Deer Lodge is one of the oldest towns in Montana. It's located in a beautiful western mountain valley on the banks of the Clark Fork River. It was first a trapping and trading center; later an important stage stop between gold camps. Remnants of old mining camps can still be visited a few miles from town. Located in the valley of the white tail deer, the area is rich in history: Indian trail to the buffalo country; fur trade country; gold country; Mullan Road country; railroad country; cattle country—there is much to see of historical significance. Many buildings still intact pre-dating 1900.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce

City Hall—300 Main Street

Deer Lodge, Montana 59722

(406) 846-2094

TRANSPORTATION

On Interstate 90. Daily bus service; rail and motor freight service; AMTRAK; lighted airstrip. Commercial air service at Butte, 40 miles.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Four hotels and motels with a total of 121 rooms, priced \$25-\$40.

RESTAURANTS

Nine restaurants with prices ranging from \$4 to \$14.

CATERING SERVICE

Available. Rates on request.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Available, on rental basis, almost anything from a complete wagon train to modern air, rail or road equipment. Collection of antique Fords in running condition; equipment related to mining, logging or railroad.

RUSHES

Local theatre.

FILM SHIPMENT

Daily air service from Butte, 40 miles.

LIVESTOCK

Farm and ranch livestock available on rental basis.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available.

CONSTRUCTION

Hardware dealers, lumber dealers, contractors, etc.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

“Runaway Train,” “The Other Side of Hell,” NBC TV, filmed at Warm Springs State Hospital, 14 miles from Deer Lodge. “Fast-Walking” filmed in 1980 at the old Territorial Prison in Deer Lodge.

TALENT

Community Theatre Group, experienced extras.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Old Territorial prison buildings enclosed in stone wall with guard towers; numerous vintage homes and public buildings predating the 20th century; remnants of mining camps; operating underground mine; operating sawmill; collection of antique Fords; pioneer cattle ranch with original furnishings and equipment (Grant-Kohrs Ranch National Historic Site); maximum blue sky, mountain scenery and sunshine! Private railroad.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	30.6	36.9	43.7	56.3	65.1	71.2	82.2	80.5	70.6	59.3	42.2	35.3
Average dly. low temp. (°)	8.3	14.3	19.6	28.5	35.8	42.2	46.2	43.8	37.0	29.3	19.5	14.7
Average precip. (in.)	.47	.38	.54	.72	1.65	2.26	1.16	.85	.92	.60	.59	.50
Average snowfall (in.)	6.3	4.8	4.9	1.0	1.3	T	0	0	.1	.8	3.7	5.3

Population: 5,000

Elevation: 5,232

Dillon is in the southwestern corner of Montana, within the drainages of the Big Hole, Beaverhead, Ruby and Madison Rivers. Large open valleys with mountain backdrop.

AREA CONTACT

Beaverhead Chamber of Commerce
President
Box 830
Dillon, Montana 59725
(406) 683-4222

TRANSPORTATION

County airport. Bus service from Butte and Salt Lake City, Utah. Freight via Union Pacific Railroad. Air charter.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Eight hotels and motels with a total of 315 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Thirteen restaurants with prices ranging to \$30.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drives, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes.

RUSHES

Two theaters available (twin).

LIVESTOCK

Many large livestock ranches of various sorts—cattle, sheep, horses. Grain, wheat.

WILDLIFE

Rocky Mountain bighorn sheep, mountain goats, elk, mule deer, moose, antelope, coyote, grouse, bald eagles, arctic grayling.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from local ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors. Materials and equipment available. Hardware and lumber dealers.

TALENT

Ranchers, rodeo riders, miners, loggers, USFS smoke chasers, fire fighters, timber crews, outfitters. Western Montana College.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Typical western towns and ghost towns are nearby, Clark Canyon Dam and Hap Hawkins Lake, Red Rock Lakes Wildlife Refuge, Anaconda-Pintler Wilderness Area. 150 lakes. Bannack—first capital of Montana. Maverick Mountain Ski Resort, Elkhorn Hot Springs Resort, Western Montana College, Rotary Fish Derby—June, Beaverhead County Fair—Aug., JC/Rodeo—Labor Day Weekend. Very large uncultivated ranches and wide valleys.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	32.9	37.9	44.7	56.7	65.7	73.0	83.6	81.9	72.3	61.2	44.9	37.6
Average dly. low temp. (°)	9.3	13.6	19.1	28.2	35.7	42.2	46.6	44.3	37.9	31.0	20.3	15.3
Average precip. (in.)	0.38	0.38	0.71	1.13	1.92	2.30	1.11	0.92	1.05	0.72	0.42	0.37
Average snowfall (in.)	5.8	6.4	9.5	4.0	0.5	T	0.0	0.0	0.8	1.8	5.0	5.5

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Temperatures vary from 40 degrees below zero in the winter to 90 degrees above zero in the summer. Annual precipitation varies from 12 inches in some lower valleys of the county to over 50 inches in the mountains.

Population: 4,700

Glasgow is located in the high plains of northeastern Montana. Fort Peck Dam is one of the largest earthen dams in the world, and 135-mile-long Fort Peck Reservoir is just a few miles south.

AREA CONTACT

Glasgow Area Chamber of Commerce
and Agriculture
Executive Secretary
Box 832
Glasgow, Montana 59230
(406) 228-2222

TRANSPORTATION

AMTRAK and Northwest Airlink. Missouri Valley Bus Lines.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Seven hotels and motels with a total of 259 units will accommodate 737 people.

RESTAURANTS

Seventeen restaurants with prices ranging from \$3 to \$15. Total combined seating capacity of approximately 1,175.

CATERING SERVICE

One catering service available.

Elevation: 2,095

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Wide variety of rental equipment and vehicles can be contracted. Specialized equipment—cherry pickers, boom trucks—available through local utilities.

RUSHES

One theater in town. Two more adjacent.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock can be contracted from area ranchers. Many period vehicles available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many area residents available from ranching concerns. Most people are familiar with horses and livestock.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors and material available.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

“Firefox” feature film, several Chevrolet television commercials, and Cousteau Society.

TALENT

Fort Peck Indian Reservation is nearby, with Assiniboine and Sioux. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing.) Fort Peck Summer Theatre.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Fort Peck Dam and Reservoir. Fort Peck Indian Reservation. Glasgow Pioneer Museum. Large cattle and wheat ranches. Vacant B-52 Air Force Base available — 13,500 ft. runway and 67 buildings.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	19.6	24.1	37.1	55.9	68.1	74.4	85.3	82.7	70.7	58.2	38.0	26.9
Average dly. low temp. (°)	— .1	3.0	16.2	30.8	42.1	50.1	56.1	52.9	42.6	32.5	18.3	8.4
Average precip. (in.)	0.48	0.41	0.56	1.01	1.49	2.98	1.33	1.49	0.96	0.64	0.47	0.45
Average snowfall (in.)	6.7	4.1	3.4	3.6	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	1.3	3.0	3.6
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	12	11	14	12	16	18	25	23	18	17	12	13

Population: 56,264

Elevation: 3,333

Great Falls is a regional marketing center located on the plains of north central Montana. It is surrounded by mountains on three sides, and the Missouri River flows through the middle of the city.

AREA CONTACT

Great Falls Area Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
Roger W. Young
Box 2127
Great Falls, Montana 59403
(406) 761-4434

TRANSPORTATION

Many departures and arrivals daily with four major airlines: Delta, Northwest, Continental, United, Northwest Airlink and Horizon (United Express). Intermountain and local bus lines with charters available. Freight service by air and motor carriers.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Forty-five hotels and motels, with a total of 1,560 rooms. Rates from \$18 to \$50.

RESTAURANTS

One hundred twenty-five restaurants and drive-ins offer complete variety in both menu and price. Prices \$5-\$35.

CATERING SERVICE

Four complete, experienced services.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Automobile, buses, recreational vehicles, and heavy equipment of any type and number from approximately 30 local companies.

RUSHES

Five local facilities available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Flights to major cities, daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Cattle, sheep, goats, horses and ponies available in numbers. Complete tack, harness, ferriers, buckboards and wagons available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Riders, wranglers, rodeo performers are available from local ranches, horse clubs and other organizations. Some professional trick riders and ropers.

CONSTRUCTION

Full facilities, crafts and materials.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Untouchables," — Paramount, "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot," MGM's "Telefon," "The Stoneboy," and numerous commercials.

TALENT

Three Indian Reservations in the area can supply extras. Local extras in most ethnic groups. Military personnel and equipment available with prior permission from Malmstrom AFB or Montana Army and Air National Guard, U.S. Army Reserve and U.S. Naval Reserve.

SOUND STAGES

Several stages available including one 104' x 35' x 30' high. Also three professional sound stages available.

SPECIALIZED EQUIPMENT

Several boom trucks and other types of lift facilities from county, city, and utility companies, sign companies and local contractors.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Paris Gibson Square, Giant Springs, Great Falls of the Missouri, Mehmke Steam Engine Tractor Museum, Bob Marshall and Scapegoat Wilderness Areas, five power dams, buffalo jumps, Charles M. Russell Museum, Yogo sapphire mines, historic Fort Benton Riverfront, White Cliffs of Missouri (trail of Lewis and Clark), numerous ghost towns and mining villages, wheat fields and Malmstrom Air Force Missile Base. Montana Air National Guard Fighter Base. Outfitters and guides available—float & fishing trips.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	31.6	34.0	41.1	55.2	65.7	72.9	84.7	81.1	71.2	59.3	44.2	35.8
Average dly. low temp. (°)	12.5	13.6	20.2	31.9	40.2	46.9	54.1	51.8	43.5	35.6	24.4	18.8
Average precip. (in.)	0.61	0.74	0.92	0.98	2.10	2.90	1.28	1.26	1.20	0.73	0.75	0.60
Average snowfall (in.)	10.0	8.9	9.6	6.3	1.3	0.5	T	0.0	1.3	2.7	7.3	8.6
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	12	11	13	12	15	16	26	24	19	17	12	13

Population: 13,684

Elevation: 2,584

Havre offers modern convenience in a rustic setting. Located just below the Canadian border in northcentral Montana, the city is surrounded by unaltered and uncluttered plains offering vast panoramas.

AREA CONTACT

Havre Area Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
P.O. Box 308
Havre, Montana 59501
(406) 265-4383

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlink, Burlington Northern Railroad,
AMTRAK. Intermountain Bus.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

One hotel and 11 motels. Approximately 430 rooms.
Prices from \$19 to \$40.

RESTAURANTS

Seventeen restaurants and drive-ins. Prices range to
\$20.

CATERING SERVICE

Local company available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Cars, pick-ups, vans and recreational vehicles.
Specialized equipment available from local utilities
and contractors.

RUSHES

Four theaters.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Area ranches will provide livestock by contract. Many
period vehicles in area.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Ranchers and ranch hands, riding club members can
be found throughout the area.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors and materials available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Fort Assiniboine with some original buildings. Chief
Joseph Battleground of the Bear's Paw State
Monument. Ghost towns. Rocky Boy Indian
Reservation. (Note: See Indian Reservation Listing.)
Buffalo Jump. Bear Paw Mountains. Beaver Creek
Park. H. Earl Clack Museum.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	23.5	27.5	39.5	56.5	67.2	74.8	84.0	82.3	70.1	58.6	41.2	30.1
Average dly. low temp. (°)	3.2	6.5	17.7	31.5	41.7	49.9	55.0	52.5	42.7	32.8	19.6	10.1
Average precip. (in.)	.64	.45	.54	.97	1.67	2.72	1.57	1.15	1.16	0.67	0.54	0.55
Average snowfall (in.)	8.0	4.7	4.8	7.8	0.2	T	0.0	0.0	0.3	0.4	3.8	6.5
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	12	11	12	12	15	17	26	24	17	16	12	12

Population: 25,000

Elevation: 4,157

Helena is strategically located between Glacier and Yellowstone National Parks. Montana's capital city, Helena is within one to two hours' drive of 66 percent of the state's population and all major cities except Billings.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Director
201 East Lyndale
Helena, Montana 59601
(406) 442-4120

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlink, Delta Airlines, Horizon (United Express) and Northwest Airlines flights daily. Bus service is available with companies providing charters. Rail service via Burlington Northern.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Thirteen hotels and motels with a total of 926 rooms. Prices from \$30 to \$50. Banquet facilities for 700.

RESTAURANTS

Fifty-six restaurants. Menu prices range from \$5 to \$30.

CATERING SERVICE

Six services available with prices depending on menu and distance.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Wide range of equipment of varying sizes available. Cars, pickups, vans, 4 x 4 vehicles through rental companies and dealers.

RUSHES

Two twin-screen indoor theaters and Second Story Cinema.

FILM SHIPMENT

Daily flights to major cities.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Most kinds of livestock in quantity with vehicles of several types.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Several bronc, trick and rodeo riders. Area residents familiar with horses and livestock.

TALENT

Excellent talent at Grand Street Theater and Carroll College Theater. Experienced movie actors and extras.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Amazing Grace and Chuck," "Grey Eagle," "Potato Fritz," "PM Magazine," Jeep commercial and Cousteau Society.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Large Sieben Sheep Ranch is located 20 miles north. Many period homes built from 1895 to 1900. The restored Original Governor's Mansion, built in 1885, has three stories, 20 rooms and seven fireplaces. Reeder's Alley, art and craft center located in original rock dwellings used by miners and railroaders before the turn of the century. Original pioneer log cabin. Significant original fire tower. Helena Cathedral, Veteran's and Pioneer's Memorial Building (Historical Society Museum), Montana Capitol building, Frontier Town with complete fort and stores. Canyon Ferry Dam, Hauser Dam, Holter Dam and Gates of the Mountains all located on Missouri River. Open pit gold mines and Kaiser Cement plant.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	28.8	33.7	42.5	56.1	65.8	72.3	84.4	82.2	70.8	58.8	42.4	34.2
Average dly. low temp. (°)	8.4	12.7	20.2	30.5	39.9	46.6	52.3	50.1	41.2	32.3	20.8	14.2
Average precip. (in.)	0.47	0.43	0.70	0.83	1.56	2.23	1.03	0.89	0.95	0.66	0.57	0.53
Average snowfall (in.)	9.1	6.2	7.5	5.0	1.7	0.2	T	0.0	1.6	1.8	6.8	8.9
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	11	10	12	12	15	16	26	25	18	17	12	11

Population: 22,000

Elevation: 2,959

Kalispell is located at the head of Flathead Lake, 25 miles long and the largest natural freshwater lake west of the Mississippi. The city is just 32 miles from Glacier National Park and 17 miles from Whitefish and Big Mountain ski complex.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
15 Depot Loop
Kalispell, Montana 59901
(406) 752-6166

TRANSPORTATION

Kalispell/Glacier National Park Airport: Delta Airlines, Horizon (United Express), flights daily. Three charter services, helicopter and air taxi available. AMTRAK passenger service 19 miles north. Three bus lines, four motor freight lines, Burlington-Northern rail freight.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Twenty-one hotels and motels totaling 680 rooms. Prices range from \$16 to \$65. Convention center and banquet facilities.

RESTAURANTS

Fifty-two restaurants, with meeting and banquet facilities for up to 600. Menu prices to \$30.

CATERING SERVICE

Four services available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Wide range of equipment available from area businesses. Specialized equipment can be arranged through local utilities and contractors. Two local charter bus companies. Rental companies for trucks, cars, four-wheel drives and vans.

RUSHES

Four indoor theaters.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various types—cattle, sheep, horses, buffalo. Tack and equipment also available.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials and equipment available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from guest and youth ranches. Many local rodeo participants. Rodeo school nearby.

TALENT

Flathead and Blackfeet Indians. Smoke-jumpers, Flathead Valley Community College, Bigfork Theatre. (Note: See Indian Reservation listing). Experienced extras.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Amy Grant Headin' Home for the Holidays"—NBC Christmas Special, "Winterhawk," "Winds of Autumn," "Heaven's Gate," "The Shining," and various commercials.

SOUND STAGE

Audio-visual facilities available at two AM and two FM radio stations and one TV studio.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Flathead Lake, Glacier National Park, Big Mountain Ski Resort, Bob Marshall Wilderness, Flathead-Kootenai Indian Reservation, Flathead National Forest, over 2 million acres of mountains and forests, Wildhorse Island (state-owned game preserve), Indian Rock Paintings, Hungry Horse Dam, Woodland Park (formal rose garden, warm-up house for ice skaters, duck pond, gazebo, fountains and arch bridges), ten city parks, bird preserves (Nine Pipes, Ronan, Swan Lake National Wildlife Refuge), Creston Fish Hatchery, flower garden near Creston, lumber and paper mills, Camas Hot Springs, cherry orchards/cherry packing houses, Conrad Mansion, old courthouse, logger competition, lakes (Bitterroot, Ashley, Seeley), rodeo/fairgrounds, horse racing and track, Pleasant Valley. Tree farms, Eva Gates Preserves—Bigfork, kayak racing, white water rapids. Historic homes, Barley Stables (buggies, etc.). Mountain Man Industries (produces authentic fur hats, trappers' coats, etc.), skydiving clubs.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	27.6	34.0	42.2	56.5	66.4	72.5	83.7	81.2	70.2	56.0	39.3	31.2
Average dly. low temp. (°)	12.0	14.9	21.3	30.9	37.9	44.7	47.6	45.0	39.2	31.7	22.7	18.7
Average precip. (in.)	1.37	1.00	0.96	1.04	1.67	2.21	1.04	1.09	1.04	1.24	1.43	1.33
Average snowfall (in.)	20.4	10.7	6.5	2.4	1.3	T	0.0	0.0	0.2	1.6	8.4	17.3
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	5	7	10	10	15	16	26	23	18	13	7	5

Lewistown and Lewistown District.

Population: 10,000

Lewistown and surrounding area.

AREA CONTACT

Lewistown Film Commission
211 West Main
Lewistown, Montana 59457
(406) 538-9091

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlink, Burlington Northern and
Intermountain Bus Line.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

272 units in six motels and one hotel.

RESTAURANTS

Sixteen restaurants, cafes and drive-ins.

CATERING SERVICE

Catering services available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles,
4-wheel drives, buses, charter planes and helicopter.

LIVESTOCK

One stockyard near city, many large livestock ranches
with cattle, sheep, horses.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Riders from local ranches, many rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many local contractors, materials and equipment
available.

RUSHES

One indoor and one outdoor theater.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Five individual mountain ranges within 40 minutes of
Lewistown. Wide, rolling grasslands, streams,
wooded valleys, good fishing, historical points. July
4th Celebration & Shrine Circus. Central Montana
Horse Show, Fair and Rodeo during last full week in
July. Art Auction in February. Big Sky Arts and
Crafts Festival—August. Drag races as well as other
events of interest. Antique airplanes, Antique
Threshing Bee, radar base, Bible college, Judith
Game Ranches, gold mines, demolition derby and
drag races, dog sleds, privately owned railroad.

Population: 3,500

Elevation: 2,065

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Manager
P.O. Box 704 - 905 W. 9th
Libby, Montana 59923
(406) 293-3832

TRANSPORTATION

4,200' air strip can handle small jets. Charter flights
and aircraft rental available. AMTRAK passenger
service, Burlington Northern rail freight. Brown's
Bus Lines, Wallace-Colville freight service.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

One hotel, 13 motels—capacity 256 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Twenty-four restaurants, four drive-ins. Catering
service available. Nine RV parks.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types machinery, car and trailer rentals,
snowmobiles, boats, 4-wheel-drives, trucks.

LIVESTOCK

Livestock ranches in area. Rodeo arena. Saddle clubs.

CONSTRUCTION

Several contractors, materials, equipment. Logging
equipment.

RUSHES

One indoor theater, one drive-in theater.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Located on the Kootenai River in northwest Montana.
Much Forest Service land, big-game hunting, lake
and stream fishing, numerous picnic and
campgrounds. Libby Dam is 17 miles from town and
the reservoir backs 90 miles into Canada. Located
between the Cabinet Mountains and the Purcells.
Scenic wilderness area, giant cedars nature trail.
“Logger Days” celebration features logging events,
raft races. Arts Festival second weekend in April.
Crafts Festival second weekend in November.

Population: 8,500

Elevation: 4,503

Livingston is surrounded by three mountain ranges, and the Yellowstone River—world famous for its blue-ribbon trout fishing—borders the southern city limits. Yellowstone National Park is only 56 miles away.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce

1104 West Park

Livingston, Montana 59047

(406) 222-0850

TRANSPORTATION

Greyhound Bus, Belt Mountain Bus Service, Yellowstone Park Bus Lines. Local airport has 5,700 foot paved runway. Air service in Bozeman, 25 miles. Charter service available at local airport.



Yellowstone River south of Livingston near Emigrant, MT

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	34.3	38.8	44.5	56.4	66.0	73.0	85.0	83.4	72.5	61.6	45.2	39.2
Average dly. low temp. (°)	15.1	18.2	22.2	30.7	38.7	45.4	51.3	49.4	42.2	35.5	25.5	21.2
Average precip. (in.)	0.57	0.50	0.90	1.19	2.14	2.32	1.11	1.14	1.42	1.07	0.79	0.61
Average snowfall (in.)	7.9	5.7	9.9	4.8	.4	*	T	T	.4	2.8	6.2	7.3

*Less than one-half of an inch.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Accommodations for 1,100 in 14 motels.

RESTAURANTS

Twenty restaurants to suit most any taste. Prices range from \$5-\$20.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Vehicle rentals available from two agencies.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Area ranches will provide livestock on contract. Period vehicles available through local owners.

RUSHES

One local theater.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Area residents familiar with stock and riding. Some top rodeo cowboys and hands. Dude ranch stock and wranglers can be contracted if business permits.

CONSTRUCTION

Hardware stores, lumber yards, construction companies, contractors and engineers available.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Amazing Grace and Chuck," "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot," "Rancho Deluxe" and various commercials.

TALENT

Active little theatre. Costume rentals.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Many parts of county U.S. Forest Service land. Two hot springs resorts in the county. Ghost towns in the area. Absaroka-Beartooth Range south of Livingston provides spectacular mountain scenery. Yellowstone River and Paradise Valley. Large ranches near Emigrant. Various dude ranches.

Population: 10,000

Miles City is located in southeast Montana, 145 miles east of Billings. Once the horse trading and livestock capital of the country, the town is steeped in visible Old West tradition.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Director
P.O. Box 730
901 Main
Miles City, Montana 59301
(406) 232-2890

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlink, Greyhound Bus, Motor Freight Carriers, Air Taxi.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Fourteen motels and two hotels can accommodate more than 1,200 people. Prices from \$24 to \$46 for singles.

RESTAURANTS

Seventeen with a wide variety of menu and prices.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All forms of truck and car transportation available including four-wheel-drive, pickups and construction equipment. All forms of year-around recreational equipment.

Elevation: 2,371

RUSHES

Two theaters.

FILM SHIPMENT

Two flights daily to Billings, connect to major cities.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock of most any variety can be contracted from area ranchers. Some period vehicles. Rodeo stock is also available. Large selection of steam tractors.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many men and women. Also includes some top rodeo cowboys and Indian riders.

CONSTRUCTION

Area contractors, materials and equipment available.

TALENT

Community theater talent.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Turn-of-the-century buildings line Main Street. Historical back bars in saloons. Site of Old Fort Keogh. Thousands of acres of public lands, rolling plains, timber and badlands. Range Riders Museum. World famous Bucking Horse Sale.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	27.4	31.8	42.3	58.6	70.6	78.5	90.2	87.5	75.2	62.4	43.5	33.6
Average dly. low temp. (°)	5.6	8.7	19.4	32.8	44.1	52.6	60.4	57.7	46.7	35.5	21.7	12.8
Average precip. (in.)	0.44	0.37	0.65	1.06	1.73	2.71	1.34	1.24	0.96	0.87	0.43	0.37
Average snowfall (in.)	6.9	5.7	5.3	3.2	0.5	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.4	1.5	3.7	5.5
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	14	13	13	13	16	18	27	26	20	20	14	15

Population: 35,000

Elevation: 3,210

Missoula is located in western Montana in the heart of the northern Rocky Mountains. Home of the University of Montana, its setting is alpine, its flair modern.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
P.O. Box 7577
Missoula, Montana 59807
(406) 543-6623

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlines, Delta Airlines, Continental, Horizon (United Express), and Northwest Airlink daily. Burlington Northern rail freight service.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Thirty-five hotels and motels with a total of 1,881 rooms. Prices range from \$14 to \$60.

RESTAURANTS

One hundred thirty-five restaurants with prices from \$1 to \$20.

CATERING SERVICE

Five complete services available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, four-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes. Helicopter and fixed-wing charters available. (Note: See charter listing.)

RUSHES

Nine theaters available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Via air daily.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various sorts—cattle, sheep, horses and buffalo.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from guest and youth ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Many contractors and materials and equipment available.

TALENT

See Flathead and Blackfeet Indian Reservation. Missoula Children's Theatre and University Drama Department.

SOUND STAGE

University of Montana Radio and TV Studio, 45' x 65' x 14' high.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Fort Missoula, Historical Museum and Paxson Paintings. University of Montana. Snow Bowl and Marshall ski areas, Kootenai and Flathead Indian Reservations. (See Indian Reservation Listing). (Note: 87 percent of Missoula County is forest land.) Bitterroot River and Valley, Smoke Jumpers Depot.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°F)	28.0	34.0	43.8	57.1	66.6	72.8	85.0	82.7	71.5	57.5	39.9	31.6
Average dly. low temp. (°F)	10.3	15.9	23.6	31.4	38.5	44.2	49.0	46.9	39.2	30.4	21.0	15.4
Average precip. (in.)	0.92	0.87	0.73	0.97	1.87	1.91	0.85	0.72	1.02	0.99	0.90	1.08
Average snowfall (in.)	13.8	7.9	6.4	2.7	0.9	T	0.0	0.0	T	0.6	6.1	11.4
Average mthly. sunshine (days)	6	7	9	10	14	15	27	23	18	14	7	6

Population: (city) 3,000
 (suburban) 12,000
 (county) 17,000

Polson is located on the shores of Flathead Lake. Glacier National Park is 75 miles north and the National Bison Range in Moiese is 25 miles south.

AREA CONTACT

Polson Chamber of Commerce
 Secretary-Manager
 Box 677
 Polson, Montana 59860
 (406) 883-5969

TRANSPORTATION

Burlington Northern spur line, Intermountain Transportation Co. bus lines. 3,500 ft. lighted runway with John Stone Aviation available commercially.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Five hotels and motels with a total of 55 rooms. Many additional guest operations around shores of Flathead Lake. Rates on request.

RESTAURANTS

Thirty-two restaurants with prices ranging from \$3 to \$25 serve the area.

CATERING SERVICE

Available through restaurants.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drive vehicles, buses, heavy-duty trucks, mobile homes, fixed-wing and boat charters.

RUSHES

One theatre available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Via airlines in Missoula and Kalispell.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Several large livestock ranches of various types—cattle, sheep, horses, buffalo. Polson and Ronan area.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available from guest and youth ranches. Many local rodeo participants.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials and equipment available.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

“Native American Indian Artist Series,” PBS special; “Damnation Alley,” feature film and various commercials.

TALENT

Blackfeet and Flathead Indians (See Indian Reservation Listing). Smoke jumpers, Montana fiddlers and various local musicians and choral groups. Drama groups.

SOUND STAGE

Polson High School Auditorium, seats 750. Stage is 30' x 60' x 15'. Recording studio.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Flathead Lake, largest natural fresh water lake west of the Mississippi, surrounded by Rocky Mountains. Spectacular scenery with Western emphasis. Cherry orchards rim lake. 65 ft., 100-passenger charter boat and large industrial paddle-driven barge available. Local museum provides equipment and artifacts from early western settlers. National Bison Range at Moiese, 25 miles south. Buffalo (420), deer, elk, antelope, big horn, etc., on 19,000-acre reserve.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp.	31.4	37.6	44.1	55.8	64.7	71.3	82.2	81.2	69.7	56.4	41.9	34.2
Average dly. low temp.	18.1	22.3	25.4	33.4	40.9	47.3	51.7	51.2	43.2	35.4	27.9	22.1
Average precip. (in.)	1.18	.86	.81	1.17	1.99	2.48	1.04	1.10	1.32	1.24	1.16	1.15
Average snowfall (in.)	11.2	7.4	5.4	0.7	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	T	0.7	4.4	8.0

Population: (village) 1,856
(surrounding area) 2,500

Where the northern Great Plains rise to meet the majestic Rockies, Red Lodge is nestled on the edge of the half-million acre Beartooth-Absaroka Wilderness Area. Located between Billings and Yellowstone National Park, Red Lodge is an historic coal mining town which combines western ranching country and traditions with high mountain scenery and recreation. A turn-of-the-century downtown and residential district offering modern resort services and facilities, Red Lodge is a unique synthesis of old and new, plains and mountains.

AREA CONTACT

Red Lodge Area Chamber of Commerce
Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 998
Red Lodge, Montana 59068
(406) 446-1718

TRANSPORTATION

Billings Airport, 60 miles, served by Northwest, United, Continental, Delta and Northwest Airlink. Charter bus or limousine service available from airport. Local airport has 4000' paved and lighted runway with charter air service available, and service for private aircraft. Car rental agency and two parcel/freight trucking firms.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Ten hotels and motels with a total of 252 rooms. Prices range from \$7.50 to \$125, accommodations from economy hostel to luxurious condominium.

RESTAURANTS

Eleven restaurants, ranging from fast food to international cuisine. Prices from \$2 to \$25. Banquet facilities and meeting rooms up to 200.

CATERING SERVICE

Several available, prices upon request.

Elevation: 5,555

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

Automobiles, vans, 4x4's, trucks, trailers, RV's, machinery, buses, snowmobiles and charter aircraft available.

FILM SHIPMENT

Charter air service to Billings.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock, including buffalo, can be contracted from numerous cattle and sheep ranches. Mining and Western period vehicles and equipment are available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many local riders and wranglers, including championship rodeo riders, are available.

CONSTRUCTION

Many local contractors available, and local firms carry complete lines of building equipment and hardware.

TALENT

Local community players, experienced extras and professional cowboys. Several ethnic culture groups available, with authentic costumes, music and dancing.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Missouri Breaks," "The Legend of Walks Far Woman," "Beartooth," "Dr. Hooker's Bunch," an NBC News Documentary of the Stillwater Area, "Triumphs of a Man Called Horse" and numerous commercials.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Beartooth Highway ("the most scenic drive in America," Charles Kuralt); Red Lodge Mountain Ski Area; Historic District; several abandoned coal mines; Festival of Nations; Home of Champions Rodeo; National Wild Horse Refuge; oldest summer ski-racing camp in U.S.; Winter Carnival; annual youth music camp, several lodges, camps and guest ranches available in the area; historic, out-of-the-way churches and other structures.

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Average dly. high temp. (°)	32	36	39	51	60	67	78	76	66	57	42	36
Average dly. low temp. (°)	12	16	19	35	38	45	50	50	40	33	22	16
Average snowfall (in.)	11.5	12.0	20.1	18.3	8.0	0.7	0	T	2.4	10.2	11.5	10.1

Population: 4,000

Elevation: 3,285

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Secretary-Manager
Box 488
Shelby, Montana 59474
(406) 434-7184

TRANSPORTATION

AMTRAK passenger service, Burlington Northern freight, Intermountain Bus Line. Charter service available at airport.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Thirteen motels and hotels with a total of 230 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Ten restaurants and drive-ins. Catering service available.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types of machinery, car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drives, buses, planes and trucks.

RUSHES

One indoor theater and two auditoriums.

LIVESTOCK

Many large livestock ranches—cattle, sheep, horses.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many cowboys and rodeo participants available.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials, equipment available.

TALENT

Many Indians in area—Blackfeet Reservation just west of town. (See Indian Reservation Listing). Local theater group.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Located in northcentral Montana, 36 miles from Canadian border. Old Kevin Sunburst Oil Field, Sweetgrass Hills.

Population: 6,000

Elevation: 2,100

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Vice-President
909 S. Central Avenue
Sidney, Montana 59270
(406) 482-1916

TRANSPORTATION

Northwest Airlink, bus service, Burlington Northern rail freight, truck service.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Six hotels and motels with a total of 320 rooms.

RESTAURANTS

Fifteen restaurants, three supper clubs with prices ranging from 29¢ to \$20.

TRANSPORTATION EQUIPMENT

All types machinery and heavy equipment. Car rentals, snowmobiles, 4-wheel-drives, buses, trucks, mobile homes, charter airplane service.

RUSHES

One indoor theatre.

LIVESTOCK

Two commercial feed lots feeding up to 5,000 head of cattle. Many large ranches. Horses and sheep available.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Many available, including those from the various Indian tribes in the surrounding areas.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, materials and equipment available.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Located in northeastern Montana, near the confluence of the Yellowstone River and the Missouri, in an irrigated valley approximately 75 miles long. Beautiful badlands area, bordering the North Dakota Badlands. Two draw bridges, one over the Missouri and the other over the Yellowstone, both over 60 years old and located in picturesque country. In Williston Oil Basin—major oil production area.

Population: 3,486

Whitefish is situated at the base of the Rocky Mountains on the shores of Whitefish Lake in Northwestern Montana. Surrounded by national and state forests including several small lakes, it is western and mountain-flavored. Glacier National Park is 27 miles east of Whitefish.

AREA CONTACT

Chamber of Commerce
Executive Manager
Box 1120, 505 Spokane Ave.
Whitefish, Montana 59937
(406) 862-3501

TRANSPORTATION

Daily flights from Kalispell/Glacier National Park Airport. Burlington Northern and AMTRAK.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Fourteen hotels, motels and resorts with a total of 360 rooms. Prices range from \$12 up.

RESTAURANTS

Nineteen restaurants with prices from \$2 up.

FARM AND RANCH AREAS

Large level areas supporting grain crops and livestock, primarily cattle and horses, within 5 miles of city limits.

CONSTRUCTION

Contractors, equipment and materials available.

TALENT

Local talent plus logging crews, exhibition skiers.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Annual Whitefish Winter Carnival—third largest in the United States, preceded only by New Orleans Mardi Gras and St. Paul's Winter Festival. Whitefish Lake Regatta.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

Whitefish Lake, 7 miles long and 1½ miles wide, site of sailing and hydroplane regattas. Many tennis courts, public and private. The Big Mountain ski resort is one of the top-rated ski areas in the United States. 18-hole golf course.

Elevation: 3,030

Population: 170

Elevation: 5,280

Virginia City and Nevada City were born with the discovery of gold in Alder Gulch in 1863. Virginia City was the Montana Territorial Capital for 10 years, until the gold ran out. Some 85 miles north of Yellowstone National Park, the towns—they are a mile apart—have been preserved and are a filmmaker's delight.

AREA CONTACT

Bruce McCallum
General Manager
Bovey Restorations
P.O. Box 338
Virginia City, Montana 59755
(406) 843-5377 (Summer)
(303) 443-9960 (Off-season)

RESTAURANTS AND/OR CATERING

Four restaurants, 3 lounges with prices ranging from \$3 to \$15.

HOTELS AND MOTELS

Three hotels and motels with a total of 50 rooms.

LIVESTOCK AND EQUIPMENT

Livestock throughout the area, including Mexican cattle. Wide variety of period equipment.

WRANGLERS AND RIDERS

Area residents are familiar with horses and livestock. Some rodeo riders.

FILMS SHOT IN AREA

"Little Big Man," "Missouri Breaks," "Pony Express Rider," "South by Northwest," and "The West of the Imagination."

TALENT

Virginia City Players, experienced troupe presenting summer entertainment.

SPECIAL ATTRACTIONS

150 buildings certified authentic by Montana Historical Society. Two steam engines (vintage late-1800s) with many authentic cars. Engines are narrow gauge with tour cars adaptable to period coaches. Cars are standard gauge and provide excellent interior shots. Vintage cars also available.

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Many Glacier Hotel—Glacier National Park

NORTHERN CHEYENNE INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Tribal Chairman
Northern Cheyenne Tribal Council
Box 128
Northern Cheyenne Agency
Lame Deer, Montana 59043
(406) 477-6284

TRIBE(S)

Northern Cheyenne

LOCATION

Southeastern Montana in Rosebud and Big Horn Counties, 80 miles southeast of Billings. The Northern Cheyenne Reservation adjoins the Crow Indian Reservation to the west.

TERRAIN

Low, grass-covered hills to high, steep hills and narrow valleys. Higher hills are covered with ponderosa pine, with some pine on higher ridges and hills in low country. Elevation ranges from 3,000 to 5,000 feet.

POPULATION

2,456

BLACKFEET INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Blackfeet Tribal Business Council
Earl Old Person, Chairman
Box 486
Blackfeet Agency
Browning, Montana 59417
(406) 338-7276

TRIBE(S)

Blackfeet

LOCATION

On the eastern slope of the Rocky Mountains in northwestern Montana, bordering Canada on the north and Glacier National Park on the west.

TERRAIN

Timbered mountains on the west, dropping to rolling plains east and northeast. Elevation transition is from 3,500 feet to 4,500 feet east to west.

POPULATION

4,594

FORT PECK INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Fort Peck Executive Council
Ken Ryan, Chairman
Box 1027
Fort Peck Agency
Poplar, Montana 59255
(406) 768-5155

TRIBE(S)

Assiniboine
Sioux
Cree
Chippewa

LOCATION

Twenty-five miles south of the Canadian border in northeastern Montana. Located only five miles from Fort Peck Reservoir, one of the world's largest man-made lakes at 135 miles long. The Missouri River forms the southern boundary of the reservation.

TERRAIN

Elevations range from 1,900 to 3,100 feet on this 2-million-acre reservation. The land is rolling hills covered with grass and grain. About half of the area is presently used for farming. Bottomlands, creek beds and coulees support natural timber.

POPULATION

4,250

FLATHEAD INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes
Mickey Pablo, Chairman
Box 278
Flathead Agency
Pablo, Montana 59855
(406) 675-2700

TRIBE(S)

Salish and Kootenai

LOCATION

Eight miles south of Polson and less than 20 miles from Missoula in the Flathead River Valley of northwestern Montana.

TERRAIN

The Rocky Mountains surround the reservation on three sides. It is laced with creeks and dotted with numerous lakes and reservoirs. The more than one million acres vary from high pasture in the west to agriculture land in the east.

POPULATION

2,700

FORT BELKNAP INDIAN RESERVATION

CONTACT

Fort Belknap Community Council
William Mane, Chairman
Box 249
Fort Belknap Agency
Harlem, Montana 59526
(406) 353-2205

TRIBE(S)

Gros Ventre
Assiniboine

LOCATION

The reservation is located in north central Montana, 54 miles east of Havre, Montana.

TERRAIN

The more than 600,000 acres of the reservation are approximately 2,500 feet above sea level. Most land is open to grazing, with some crop and timberland. Rolling prairies with intermittent high hills make up the land forms. Picturesque ghost towns of Zortman and Landusky lie immediately south of the Reservation.

POPULATION

1,420

CROW INDIAN RESERVATION**CONTACT**

Crow Tribal Council
Richard Real Bird, Chairman
Box 159
Crow Agency, Montana 59022
(406) 638-2601

TRIBE(S)

Crow

LOCATION

The Crow Indian Reservation is in south central Montana, some 40 miles southeast of Billings. Its southern edge borders Wyoming, and the eastern boundary connects with the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation.

TERRAIN

Elevations range from 9,000 feet in the mountainous areas. The million and a half acre reservation offers a variety of landforms with wooded valleys, pine-studded bluffs and buttes and rolling, grassy plains.

POPULATION

3,126

ROCKY BOY INDIAN RESERVATION**CONTACT**

Chippewa Cree Business Committee
Rocky Stump, Sr., Chairman
Rocky Boy Route #544
Rocky Boy Agency
Box Elder, Montana 59521
(406) 395-4282 or 4285

TRIBE(S)

Chippewa
Cree

LOCATION

North Central Montana approximately 30 miles south of Havre.

TERRAIN

There are 107,511 acres of land on the reservation proper and adjacent allotted lands. Altitudes range from 6,900 feet in the Bear Paw Mountains to approximately 2,000 feet at lower elevations. The reservation has 5,000 to 7,000 acres of Lodgepole pine, plus substantial stands of Douglas fir and Ponderosa pine. Mountains and high-plains landscapes make up the reservation.

POPULATION

1,500

SPEAKING OF MONTANA . . .

Montana is the nation's fourth largest state—averaging 550 miles in length and 275 miles in width. The eastern third is plains country; the central third is plains and isolated mountain ranges; and the western third is mountains and mountain valleys. The Continental Divide runs north and south through the western portion. The highest point is Granite Peak (12,799 feet) in the Beartooth Mountains southwest of Billings. The lowest point is 1,820 feet in northwest Montana where the Kootenai River reaches the Idaho line.

Climate varies with topography and altitude. Average annual rainfall is 15 inches, and the average daytime temperatures vary from 28° in January to 84.5° in July.

Montana has a land area of 93,157,952 acres over which are scattered 780,000 people. The state holds 10 national forests, including fourteen wilderness areas, with 26,616,234 acres of national forest and BLM land. Montana state lands and forests include 5,216,176 acres, seven state forests, 10 state parks, 18 state monuments, 70 state recreation areas, nearly 200 state fishing access sites, and 31 national historic landmarks.

Glacier National Park, the nation's foremost trail park, with over a thousand miles of trails, is entirely within Montana. Three of the five entrances to Yellowstone National Park are in Montana.

Montana also has 30 ski areas, ranging from multi-facility resorts such as Big Sky of Montana to secluded weekend-only ski-gems, tucked away in quiet spots, and cross-country and ski-tour specialty facilities. On the other end of the season, Montana has more miles of blue-ribbon trout streams than any other state.

Montana has 24 major dams which provide recreation facilities—the largest of which is Fort Peck, with a lake behind it covering 382 square miles. There are innumerable mountain lakes varying from glacial potholes to Flathead Lake, the largest fresh-water lake west of the Mississippi.

What Montana doesn't have are: traffic jams, stale air, hurry, noise, crowds, rat-races, deserts or a sea coast.



1. Amy Grant and Dennis Weaver in "Headin' Home For The Holidays." NBC Christmas Special filmed in Montana
2. Filming on "Fast Walking" set in Deer Lodge
3. Virginia City
4. Roundup and branding in Montana's high plains country
5. An explosive scene from MGM's TELEFON, filmed in Great Falls





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1. St. Ignatius Mission in
the Mission Valley

2. East Rosebud Lake
near Columbus

3. Anaconda Pintler Wilderness
Area near Butte

4. Skiing at Big Mountain
near Whitefish

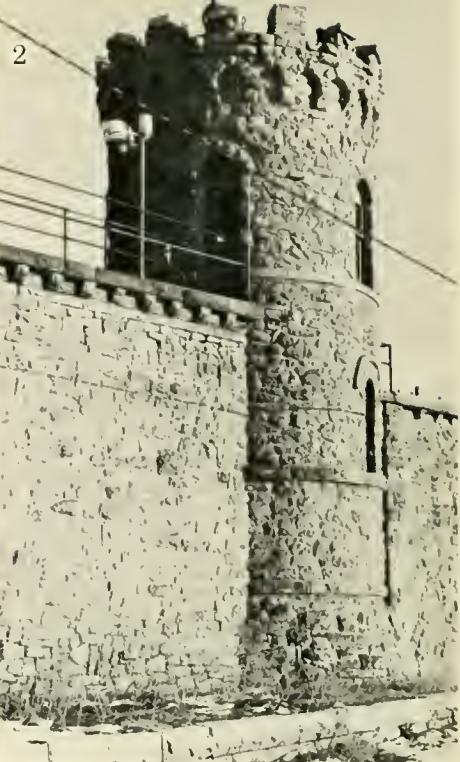


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1. Horses in the high, dramatic plains country of Montana
2. Tower wall at Montana's vacant territorial prison
3. Looming granite peaks of Glacier National Park
4. The virile Western identity of Marlboro Country is mirrored in Montana
5. Clint Eastwood, on the set of Warner Brothers' "Firefox"
6. Frank Perry, producer-director of "Rancho Deluxe," works from the boom on location near Livingston



1. Nana Lake in the Hillgard area of Montana
2. Production personnel look over Butte for location of "The Killer Inside Me"
3. Snow covered log cabin in the mountains of Montana
4. A frontier-style shoot-out staged in the restored mining town of Virginia City
5. The Swan River reflects an Indian encampment on the Montana location of the Charles Pierce production, "Winterhawk"
6. Street scene in Butte's famed World Museum of Mining





1. From the Towe Antique Ford Collection—the world's largest collection of antique Fords
2. White Cliffs of the Missouri above Great Falls
3. Montana Indians
4. Filming "Jupiter Menace" in Cooke City
5. Buffalo roundup at Moiese





1. Glacier National Park: from the air, more than 1600 square miles of majesty
2. Waterfalls and sparkling streams abound in Montana
3. Cousteau Society film crew on Missouri River
4. Clint Eastwood on location for Malpaso Productions "Thunderbolt and Lightfoot"





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1. Wagon train re-enactment in northeastern Montana

2. Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area

3. Cherry blossom season on Flathead Lake

4. Fall wheat harvest

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1. St Mary's Lake—Glacier Nat'l Park
2. Bighorn Recreation area
3. Rocky Mountain Winter Scene
4. Conrad Mansion in Kalispell
5. Thompson Hill in eastern Montana
6. Beartooth Highway from Red Lodge to Cooke City





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